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Dear Rob,

New Zealand Patent Application No. 230009
PM 1321
Our File: 30590

18 I enclose an official action issued in this case. The overall term for allowance will extend until 27th November 1991.

No references are cited but there are a large number of objections to the text, and especially to the claims.

1.(a): If these substances are covered by a generic expression in the claims, then there should be no need to give any further description. The expression objected to can simply be deleted and the particular substances indicated as examples only.

(b): Please let us know which mesh standard is employed here.

2. There are many objections to particular expressions in the claim. It is clear that some careful revision of the claim wording is necessary to satisfy the New Zealand Examiner, although I doubt whether I need any fresh information to undertake this revision. What I propose is that I should prepare for your approval a draft of claims revised in accordance with the Examiner's requirements. At the same time I should then be able to identify any outstanding questions on which I need your help.

3. This relates to the correction of the inventorship on the application form to bring it into line with the U.S. application. I have by now advice from a substantial number of countries and it may be convenient to buy the necessary certified copies in bulk. I will write to you separately on this question.

Yours sincerely,

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